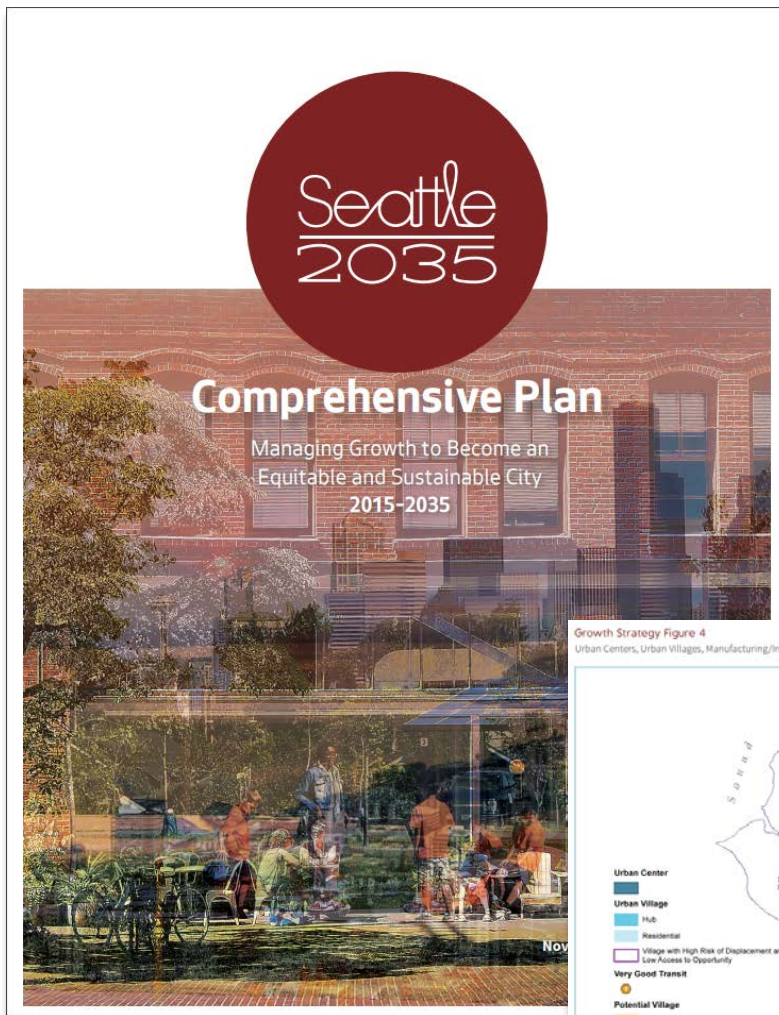


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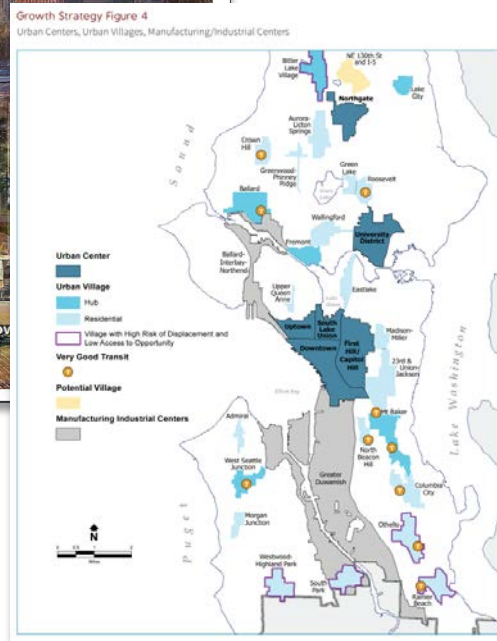
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Seattle 2035 Comprehensive Plan

- Vision for a livable, sustainable, prosperous, and equitable city
- Growth strategy based on urban centers and villages
- Goals and policies guide City plans, programs, and investments

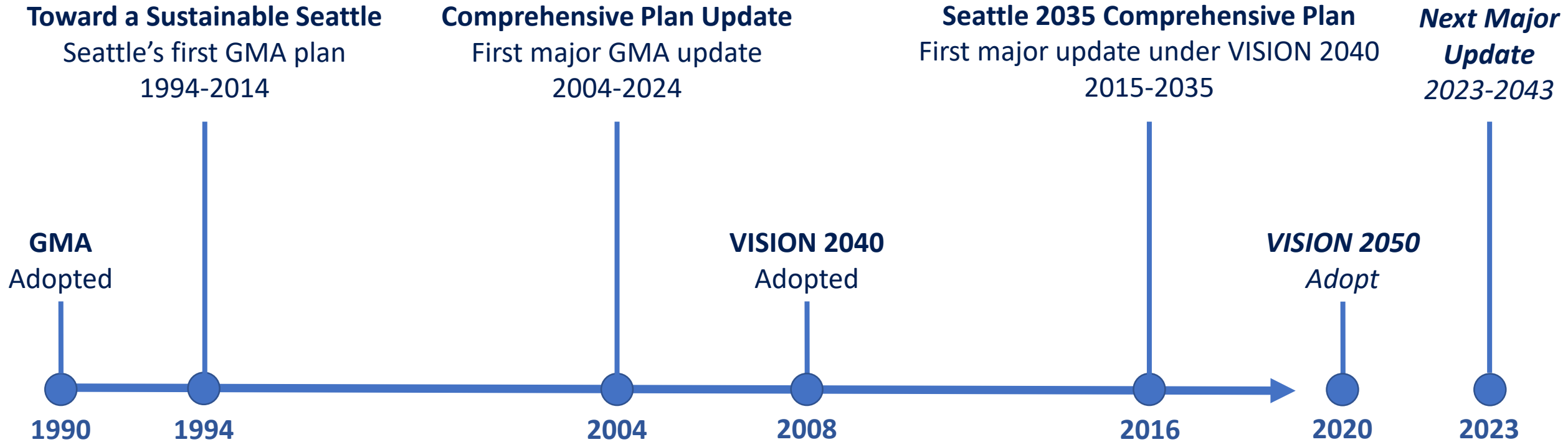


Growth Management Policy Framework



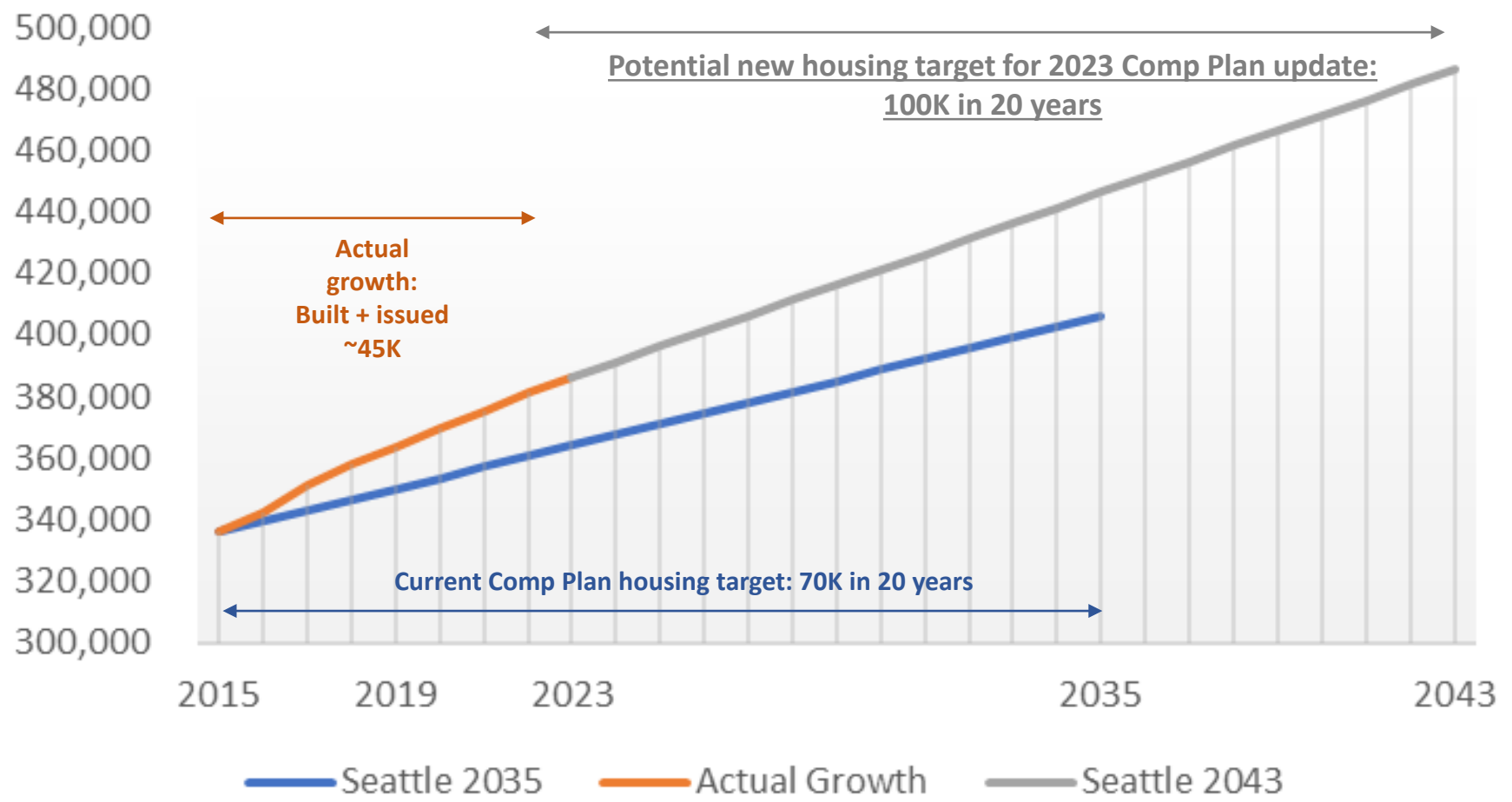
- ▶ **State Legislature (RCW 36.70A)**
 - Requires local jurisdictions to adopt Comprehensive Plans
 - Allows annual amendments
 - Requires major periodic update every 8 years
- ▶ **Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC)**
 - Enacts Multicounty Planning Policies (MPPs)
 - Establishes Regional Growth Strategy
 - Will adopt “VISION 2050” update in 2020
- ▶ **Growth Management Planning Council (GMPC)**
 - Enacts Countywide Planning Policies (CPPs)
 - Establishes Urban Growth Area (UGA) boundary
 - Allocates local growth targets (housing and jobs)
- ▶ **Seattle 2035 (adopted in 2015/2016)**
 - Establishes goals and policies (Citywide and Neighborhood)
 - Enacts strategy to accommodate 20-year growth projections
 - Guides City functional plans, programs, regulations (e.g., zoning)

Comprehensive Planning: A Short History



Current vs. Potential Housing Unit Target

DRAFT ESTIMATE



Actual growth has exceeded current projections

Potential new target = 100k more households by 2043

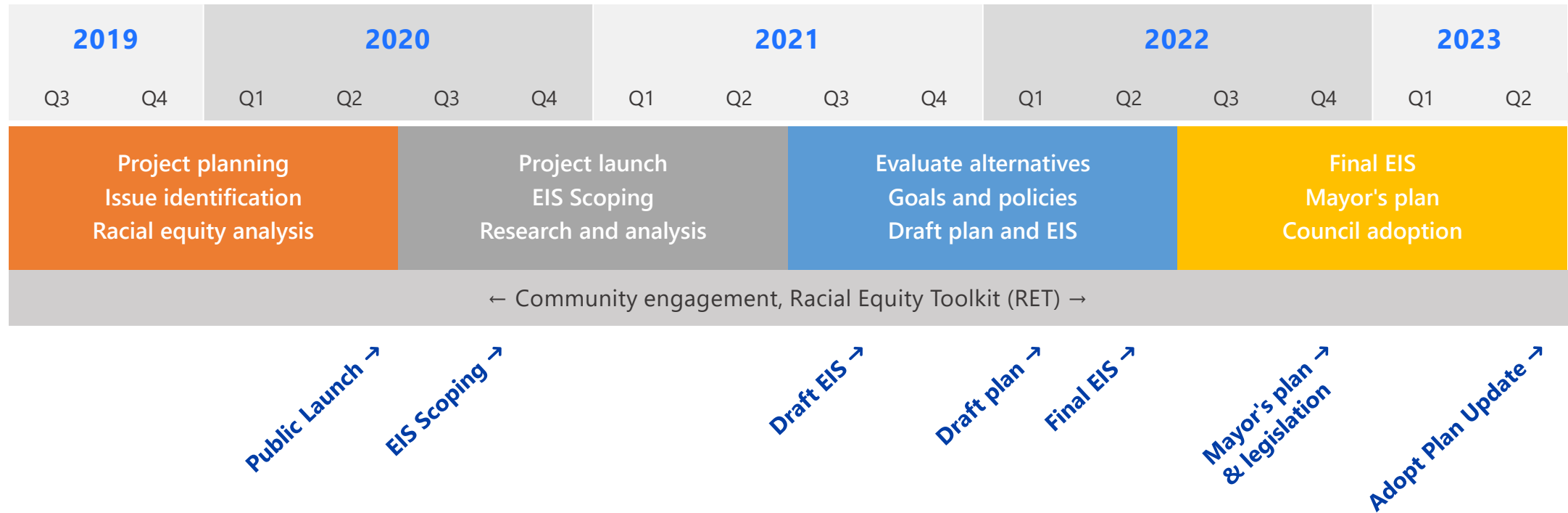
Technical Notes

Growth targets are required under GMA to guide local comprehensive planning. Targets, which are adopted collaboratively through countywide planning, reflect both policy and projections.

This is an estimate of potential future targets derived from most recent forecast data and assumptions, including OFM pop forecasts for King Co (2017) and draft VISION 2050 (adoption by PSRC in 2020).

Actual growth targets for City of Seattle will be developed and adopted by the King County Growth Management Planning Council in 2021.

Preliminary Schedule (September 2019)



Preliminary Project Planning for Update

Fall 2019 to Spring 2020:

- Budget, staffing, schedule
- Community engagement strategy
- Outreach to departments / Framework for Interdepartmental Team
- Identify key drivers for update – Emerging policy issues, statutory/regional requirements
- Background policy research / Data / Buildable Lands
- Racial Equity Analysis / Develop approach to RET

Potential Policy Themes (Early Thinking)

Race and Equity

- Robust RET process
- Update growth and equity analysis
- Anti-displacement

Growth Strategy

- Evaluate Centers and Villages
- Capacity for growth
- Racial equity outcomes
- TOD around ST3 and other transit

Livability

- Services to meet needs of growth
- Multimodal mobility and new technologies
- Community and open space
- Health equity

Housing

- Assessment of housing need and supply
- Housing supply, choice, and affordability
- Homelessness

Economic Opportunity

- Industrial and Maritime Strategy
- Education and workforce training
- Supports for small businesses

Resilient, Carbon-Neutral City

- Benchmark for plan performance
- Support City initiatives toward emissions reductions
- Protect vulnerable communities

Racial Equity Analysis

- Response to SLI 29-4-B-1-2019
- Collaboration among OPCD, DON, and OCR
- Data-informed
- National consultant support (PolicyLink)
- Local community stakeholder engagement

Key questions include:

- *How can the Comprehensive Plan update advance racial equity? What racial equity outcomes should define success?*
- *What are the racial equity impacts of the current Urban Centers and Villages Growth Strategy?*
- *What improvements might make the Comprehensive Plan ensure growth is more equitable?*

Questions for Planning Commission

What policy areas should the plan update focus on?

Thoughts on role for Planning Commission? How can we best work with you going forward?

Lessons learned from the Seattle 2035 update?

What can we do in 2019/2020, through preliminary project planning and the racial equity analysis, to be successful in the plan update?